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BROADWAY STATUES.

CONFEDERACIES OF STREET CORNER LOUNGERS.

Pimps and Procurers for Faro Banks and Brothels.

Women more commonly dressed do not escape thus easily; for these scamps have the audacity to address them without ceremony, and if their advances are received with indignation, as in twenty cases out of twenty-one they are, the wretches apologize and plead mistake. Young girls who do work at home for Broadway furnishing houses and go to and fro daily, wish to visit; and this they do to save themselves from running the gauntlet of insult. If they do not do this they make their purchases [illegible] of Broadway, or, when they [illegible] ticles above Waverley Place, [illegible] The effect has been, and is, that [illegible] ate—on the east side of Broadway has been serious-

A Characteristic Group of Broadway Statues, as Sketched from Life by Our Artist.

like to see it done, to the [illegible] ures, de- | [illegible] punishment of murderers from the country, and a [illegible] the witness he is to entice into his web, and remedy [illegible] portant duty is done, and his confederates proceed
ters and daughters may [illegible] | [illegible] establishment of another from the frontier and another [illegible] | [illegible] some one that proper spot upon which to murder the [illegible] with the skinning. No man has a right of evidence
to the dangers without [illegible] | [illegible] from the best disciplined province of the [illegible] | [illegible] victim of heartless greed; that once successfully done, | to win a battle in these places, so skillfully employed

John Kingsland Killing his Wife at Skaneateles, Rockland County, Pa.

The "Fine Art" of Victimizing a Citizen from the Rural Districts.

The Ruse of Boarding at Prominent Hotels.

The Trick of Congregating on the Hotel Steps.

Indignities Offered to Respectable Women.

The Circuit of Operations from Waverley Place to Broome Street.

The West Side Curbstone the Favorite Stamping Ground

AN INTOLERABLE PUBLIC NUISANCE.

An Immediate Street Cleaning Demanded.

Imperative Duty of Hotel Proprietors.

It would scarcely be credited by our citizens who have not had the conviction of their own eye sight, that there are places on our noblest thoroughfare which an unprotected lady cannot pass, in certain portions of the broad day light, without insult. Those ladies who are more elaborately and richly dressed, whose mein and manner show good breeding and give evidence of station in society, are generally exposed to no further annoyances, when they pass the objectionable points referred to, than those of being stared at broadly and impudently; of being significantly winked at; or of being smiled at with indecent assurance by a dozen or—if the weather is good for lounging—a score or more of well-dressed scoundrels who line the places referred to. The more notable points of rendezvous are the fronts of the various hotels on the west side of Broadway, more especially the St. Nicholas, the fronts of the numerous fruit shops, with "sample rooms" in the rear, many of which are located on Broadway between Waverley Place and Broome street, and the corners of the last named street, Prince street, Houston street, Spring street and Broadway. So great has the nuisance become that these fellows do not hesitate—police or no police—to walk quickly after and get in advance of a lady, whom they have thus ogled, and then turn into a by-street, and with an eye significantly cast over their shoulders, brutally invite her to follow them.

Desperate Fight of [illegible], as Related in Chapter [illegible] Page [illegible]

Lynching of Glen Crowdus, Wm. Goode and Thomas Stephens, by the Citizens of Lebanon, Ky.

"reporter" leaves. It is after the acquaintance has been made that his genius either helps or mars the fall overdue. In these photographic days of the [illegible] It is not long after that he surpasses the skill of the artist in enamelling the poor fly, and the victim sees in the sunshine hill, the "reporter" now in-

[illegible] wardsmanship into the deals made, and hence the blood is smoked from the dyin quantities to suit. We may here remark that the persons who are [illegible] bers of humanity dealt games in New York, would [illegible] not the largely so have many infamous swindling places established.

If our "reporter" victim cannot be inveigled into a gambling house, he is piled with wine, and genial [illegible] are thrown, out as to the society of ladies. A "reporter" states that he knows a widow, or the wife of [illegible] person contain or others in the army, while [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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THE IMMORAL LITERATURE OF THE DAY.—We frequently hear of arrests by the police, of parties who vend obscene books and pictures; but the greatest stretch of memory does not enable us to bring to mind a single conviction for the offence of those who stand loftiest in culpability. The cases which are brought under the eye of the police are those of the poor wretches who vend at third or fourth hand, the objectionable publications to which we have referred. The truth is that the publishers of these works are, in many instances, men of wealth or of business standing, as may be seen by reference to an article on this theme recently published by the *Daily News* of this city. By what machinery a prosecution is avoided is their affair and the affair of the public authorities, not ours. The great post, who wrote for all time, may light up the subject. He said,

"Arm sin with gold,
And the strong lance of justice hurtless breaks;
Arm it in rags, a pigmy's straw doth pierce it."

We do not object to the ragged vender being arraigned and pierced by the pigmy's straw, but we suggest that Justice go a little behind this front and tower rank of offenders, and seek out the gold-plated infractor of law, and let the bandaged old lady see that her ministers are not dazzled by that gold plating to such an extent as to lose sight of the substance which the plating covers. The strictly moral may go further than they have yet gone, and seize upon certain editions of modern poetry, and confiscate them for immorality—an immorality that exceeds in its pernicious effects anything that the coarser books, surreptitiously sold on street corners and up sheltering alleys, contain. The former are full of veiled poison, that are dressed in tropes and figures, and they insidiously instil it into the minds of the young, who have not over them the safeguard of strict moral self censorship. The poisonous pills, like the volumes that contain them, are gilded and covered with the imagery of romance and passionate fervor, dressed in lingual beauties. The gross books, of which seizures are made, would be, in many cases, flung with disgust from the hands of female innocence after ten lines had been read; or be torn in shreds from out of their yellow covers, and given to destruction by the indignant woman of virtue under whose eyes they had inadvertently fallen; while the immorality contained within the gilt covers, under the fascination of poetical tropes and beauties and the imagery of romance, would be read and put aside to be read again. Within this latter class fall Swinburne's poems, an edition of which has recently been issued by the American press. They abound in sensualities of a very gross and broad character, to such an extent that we, who open up to public view the records of vice and infamy, would deny them admission to our columns. It is said that Byron's curious invention contained in the seventh canto of "Don Juan," commencing with "Oh, thou, tetterrimus causa of all ball," was the main cause of the refusal to allow his remains space in Westminster Abbey. With this fact in view, what Swinburne's post-mortem fate may be we cannot surmise; perhaps he will be refused any burial at all. We do not believe that the class of offenders who make and sell, in the security of seclusion, the immoral books to which we first referred, could get out of the gripe of our District Attorney if they should be once placed within his reach, but unfortunately these leading spirits of evil appear to never get beyond a preliminary complaint. While these men are willing to make money by catering to the prurient tastes and debauching the minds of the young, we do not doubt but that they would resent with terrific fierceness and indignation any attempt to place their own beastly publications into the hands of their innocent daughters and sisters. It is the old story of my bull and your ox. Let the proper authorities look at this increasing evil, and grapple with it in such a way as to prevent our young of both sexes from learning in seductive prints the road to perdition.

OUR SOCIAL DISORGANIZATION.—What between Western divorces and recent Vermont marriage legislation, the marital relation will have no more cohesion than a compact bound by ropes of sand, if those who should counsel wisely do not stand forward and, by voice and countenance, arrest the progress of social disruption. The dockets of our courts are actually plethoric with matrimonial litigation. It is divorce—divorce from one end of the page to the other. What a commentary upon the whilhom sacredness of that bond—an institution to the inauguration of which He at Cannan lent His presence—upon it placed his imprimatur. It is a very deplorable fact that with material progress, morally, as a people, we do not advance. We live fast—eat, drink, and hurry-scurry through an existence which might otherwise be much prolonged, and all this in an insane struggle to reach a goal which is sooner or later attained—a fortune, disaster, or a premature death. Men and women alike are swirling in the maelstrom of social disorder: there seems to be but little, if any sanity [illegible] to tell the [illegible] of former and [illegible] days.

Many reasons might be assigned for the [illegible] moral [illegible] in these [illegible] we have before now advanced several. But we must say, that among the predisposing causes to our existing social disorganization, there is none more proximate than loose legislation in respect to the sustainment or severance of the marriage relation. People, by or without collusion, have no difficulty in setting at naught the solemn ordinances which was designed for the social and physical improvement of mankind. Every day brings painful evidence of the disregard in which it seems to be held. Take, for example, Hartford county, Connecticut. At the recent term of the Superior Court of that county, no less than twenty-one divorces were granted. The pleadings set forth the usual record of cruelty, intemperance, adultery, and those other evils that go to undermine the happiness of the marriage relation. That is the record of one county in "the land of steady habits." *Ex uno disce omnes.*

Now the evil of this state of things lies back of our laws. It has its origin, largely, in the hasty, ill-mated marriages now-a-days so prevalent—the uniting of persons whose tastes are dissimilar, and who are entirely uncongenial in their natures. There is not a doubt but that if persons seeking the matrimonial condition, would make their courtship more of a study, and endeavor to realize the great responsibility of forming an alliance for life such as marriage involves, and view it not as a mere side-show, made up of soft nonsense, sentiment and impulse, rather than real affection, there would be much less work for our courts to do in the way of untying knots which have become disastrously entangled, owing to the careless way in which they were originally made.

Some may say, perhaps, that we ought to make a radical change in our divorce laws. That may be all true enough: human nature needs changing just as much. But the latter is not in man's province; still, however, ethical forces, efficiently and conscientiously directed to the attainment of the end indicated, may go far to accomplish what cannot be done by earthly—physical compulsion.

WORKING WOMEN'S PROTECTIVE UNION.—Mr. De Gendora, who is one of the most entertaining restaurateurs extant, will deliver his popular and highly amusing lecture, entitled, "Miss Briggs (strong-minded); her Courtship" at Irving Hall, on the 8th inst., in aid of the "Working Women's Protective Union." This is a most meritorious organization, warmly bespeaking the substantial, material sympathy of the public.

CHOICE DRAMATIQUE.

There is very little that is either new, novel or strange in the dramatic or musical world, and our labors for this week will consequently be but brief. The principal feature of the past week has been the Italian opera at the Winter Garden, where three old favorites have been given, viz: "Crispino e la Comare," "Fra Diavolo," and "L'Etoile du Nord," each of which has taken a renewed hold on public favor. This theatre has been fitted up in most extraordinary style: carpets have been laid where carpets were never laid before, and in other places, where carpets have been laid, carpets are laid the more; so that the public tread on Brussels and Axminster, in going to their seats, to their hearts' content. Private boxes have been interpolated on either side of the family circle, which, in a family-way point of view, is a very nice situation to see the opera from, and the house generally has had a large addition to its means of illumination, which is highly creditable to the Management or to Max—the latter of whom we suspect of the Winter Garden heresy of brightness, light and cleanliness. We have seen but two of the operas: "Crispino" on Monday night, and "L'Etoile du Nord" on Friday. Both were most decided successes, and each fairly rivalled anything that it had achieved on any former occasion in this country. Of "Crispino" and the *Cobbler of Rossucci*, we cannot add anything to that which we have already said of this opera and his very striking performance. It appears as though there was something in this musical comedy that brought out every particle of talent that lay latent in those who happened to be cast in the roles. This remark applies strongly to Miss Kellogg, who did the wife of the *Cobbler* inimitably, and with a full appreciation of the fun bound up in it.

"L'Etoile du Nord" introduced us to Miss Rehsh, who caused a *furore* as *Pascoria*. She is entirely new to the New York boards, though "to the manner born," and on her first appearance her beauty strongly recommended her to public favor: but it was in the role of a singer and not in that of a model of beauty that she appeared, and while and after she astonished Young America had exhausted himself in applauding her *personale*, Old America sat quietly waiting to see if she could sing. All doubts on the subject were soon set at rest by the manner in which she grappled with the music of the duets with *Martino* in the first act, when she brought down the house in a perfect storm of applause, and placed her success beyond the shadow of a doubt. The rippling and sparkling qualities of the music of this duo were most ably rendered by the company, Signor Antonucci, Miss Kellogg and Signor Bellini having been particularly distinguished for rare excellence in their several rôles. This opera was repeated on Monday night last.

The week has presented several musical *novelties* but none that are worth a special reference. In the dramatic department of amusement as little may be said as in that of the musical. At Wallack's "The Scrope to Conquer" has been exhumed, with Mr. Lester Wallack in his old part of *Young Marlow*. There has been no new comedy at this house since "1,000,000." At the Winter Garden Edwin Booth has been doing *Hamlet*, with the same scenery and with about the same effect as last year, though it is but just to say that it is evident from his acting that he has given the character much study since he last performed it here; but whether his new and sometimes subtle readings are justified by the text, is very questionable.

The New York Theatre is still doing "Griffith Gaunt," but with a change of bill. Mr. Lanergan and Miss Kate Newton having been added to the company, the one a pretty and the other a useful accessory. This drama continues to draw very fine houses, despite some of its crudities. The "Long Strike" is still the *pièce de resistance* at the Olympic, but it will be withdrawn after this week; how long after that the management will be forced to reproduce it we don't know. We do not think that it can be long kept off the boards. However, we advise all of our readers to go there before it shall have been withdrawn, and to see one of the best acted dramas on the modern stage. The telegraphic scene is positively thrilling.

The "Black Crook," under the pressure of theological advertising and pulpit denunciation, still crams the house nightly at Niblo's, and hundreds of people are turned away by the frowning announcement of "standing room only," which greets them at the entrance.

The Broadway Theatre is giving a dramatic version of Wilkie Collins' "Armadale," by Miss Olive Logan, of which we shall say our say in our next. Miss Kate Reignolds is the fierce heroine of this sombre drama. She does many things well and some badly. In very light comedy she is absolutely sparkles and effervesces. [illegible] particularly noticeable in her impersonation of *Nickelson* (in the comedy which [illegible] mous,) and in the farce of [illegible] patra," in which she [illegible] in the most [illegible] parts as these [illegible] more pretentious [illegible] *Beatrice*, which [illegible] *dick*, sit rather [illegible] shoulders and [illegible] an emergency. [illegible] home in the last [illegible] *Don Folio* in the [illegible] performances which [illegible] Our impression is that [illegible] tragedy—though there are [illegible] to the latter—are the [illegible] shows best in parts which [illegible] where there are quick alternations [illegible] sions and counter emotions. In these points of [illegible] his *Belphegor* is a charming effort and points him [illegible] ifficantly to the dramatic path that he can [illegible] tread. His *Lear* and *Othello* possess merit; but our [illegible] very soon the glories of [illegible] age [illegible] their parts.

Mr. F. Lawrence has been [illegible] for the Bowery Theatre and will [illegible] a week from next Saturday; he will probably be [illegible] by Mr. John E. Owens, who is always a trump card for his management.

A funny [illegible] recently played at [illegible] theatre, London, where [illegible] John Wood commenced an "engagement" of [illegible] in a dramatization of "Barnaby Rudge," and was slightly hissed. The whole London press pounced like hawks on the dear little "Antiquarian" dove, and they declare that she prefers her beauty of face to a good and proper make-up for a part which she cannot act. It is easy to call Mrs. Wood an *American*. Her accent would not [illegible] but a "liberated" Cockney that she was the veritable English article she is: indeed we believe that she is first-cousin to Mr. Vining, her present manager. We can leave our little Thalia to take care of herself, and if she does not yet walk up those gentle whom the French call "*se sacré bleu Rosbif*" we are mistaken. Even their obtuseness and stupidity must give way under some of her impersonations.

[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF NATIONAL POLICE GAZETTE.]

Philadelphia Correspondence.

PHILADELPHIA, December 5th, 1866.

THE STATE PRISONERS.

Newton Champion, who murdered Mary Carney in a house of assignation a few months ago, was on Saturday sentenced by Judge Allison to be hanged by the neck until he be dead. The scene was not attended by the usual solemnity of such proceedings, and did not make as deep an impression as the sentencing in cases of ordinary criminals has done. Many viewers of the tragedy had been left for the last day of the term, and there was a considerable shuffling up of things, indecorous and curious, of things that were disorderly and of no gravity at all. The [illegible] Champion seems to be disposed to view [illegible] Court's [illegible] anxious to get through with the business and [illegible] disposed to bestow much [illegible] upon the case. Rosbrow had been tried in support of the [illegible] for a like trial, and the counsel for the [illegible] did not [illegible] about them. This [illegible] which the facts [illegible] the attempted brutality of the prisoner. It was proved that the evidences had clearly made it out; that his conduct on one occasion had [illegible] the Court was called to that reason to not [illegible] Another ground [illegible] was the [illegible] of the jury, [illegible] only [illegible] by Middlemiss, the keeper of the house, in which [illegible] murdered Mary Carney, to [illegible] both of whom [illegible] the Court's [illegible] were submitted to the jury and they had [illegible] them. Besides, the Judge took occasion to [illegible] that the counsel [illegible] interested in respect to the evidence both as to insanity and identification. The reasons for a new trial were considered so little [illegible] by [illegible] that by the District-Attorney that he did not deign to reply by the argument in support of them. After the motion had been overruled, the usual question was put to the prisoner, whether he had anything to say why sentence of death should not be pronounced. Champion made no reply but stood wildly around the court-room. Judge Allison, in very good taste, as I thought, refrained from a long harangue, merely saying that Champion had been convicted of the wilful murder of Mary Carney by a jury of his own choosing, and all that could be said had been done in his defence by counsel of his own choosing, and all that remained was for the Court to impose the sentence of the law, which was that he be taken to the county prison and from thence to the place of execution, there to be hanged by the neck until dead, closing with the usual hope that God might have mercy on his soul. Long after the sentence was passed, Champion continued to stand up and to stare wildly, moving his eyes from one side of the room to the other. There can be little doubt, I think, of Champion's insanity. It was evidently not a cooked up one, as that of Shurlock's was, who was tried some years ago for the shooting of Chargen, and got Shurlock was acquitted. Wherever Champion is known, the one opinion is entertained of the state of his mind. It cannot be possible that so general an opinion should be visionary; it must have something real to rest upon. It rests with the Governor to say whether he will be hung or not; the incoming Governor—General Geary—as the present Executive will hardly act in the matter.

MYSTERIOUS JIMMY IN THE SHERIFF'S—FUNNY SPEECH OF WM. D. BAKER.

Mysterious Jimmy, convicted on two bills of indictment, one charging assault and battery with intent to kill, the other the carrying of concealed deadly weapons, was brought up to the Sessions on Saturday that there might be a final disposition of the case. It may be proper to go a little into particulars and show who Mysterious Jimmy is and how he came to be tried and convicted. Jas. Whetmore, alias Mysterious Jimmy, is a professional thief of some ten or fifteen years standing; sometimes a "hanch," as others a "crachsman." Either by his own cunning or the corruptions of the police he has escaped conviction and punishment for years, and he is said to have accumulated considerable means by his depredations. A few years ago he and Jim. Rogers were detected in the act of house-breaking, with the tools all around them, but as they were fleeing their way into an unoccupied house, with a view to get access by the trap-door to the one adjoining, the District Attorney said they could not be tried and they went free as birds of justice. It did not occur probably to the Commonwealth officer that they could be charged with conspiracy to rob.

Mysterious Jimmy had many friends, unfortunately as it would [illegible] the last one on Coney, whom you see [illegible] "Jimmy" and "Curly Head." The Police [illegible] to [illegible] Mysterious Jimmy, and a few days before the [illegible] they were exposed by the purchase by a policeman of [illegible] stranger [illegible] for the [illegible] upon [illegible] they got into a [illegible] with two of the passengers and beat them [illegible] One of these was Mr. I. [illegible] of New York, and he showed in front of the [illegible] that [illegible] Jimmy and [illegible] had [illegible] him. When Mr. Evans came on to Philadelphia to prosecute, Mysterious kept out of the way, and he, no doubt, felt himself secure in doing so. Sergeant of the Mayor's detectives, who will arrest pocket-picking thieves in Philadelphia, came across Jimmy one evening, in front of the Continental Hotel, (by the way, he patronizes the fashionable hotels of the city,) and made for him. Jimmy was not disposed to be taken, and broke and ran down Ninth street to Sansom, and down to Eighth. Stevens followed closely upon his heels, shouting out, "Catch him—catch him!" A Sixth ward [illegible], Mr. Brotherhood, of this city, undertook to stop Jimmy, and stepped in front of him.

Before this Jimmy had drawn a pistol, and he did not hesitate to use it. He blazed away at Mr. Brotherhood, the ball going through the hat just above the head. Jimmy kept on, and not far off discharged a second barrel of the pistol at another man who attempted to stop him. He then ran into Walnut street, down to Seventh street, up Seventh to Sansom street, in which is a gambling hell he frequents. No doubt he was making for the hell when one of the Fifth Ward officers brought him to a stand. Before he did so, Jimmy threw the pistol over a fence into a yard where it was found. He was not defended on the trial. Lew C. Cassidy had been retained to defend him in the other case, and declined to have anything to do with the assault and battery and intent to kill. The testimony, however, was such that no lawyer could have done him any good unless by a packed jury of perjured witnesses. When the case was called up on Saturday, Wm. D. Baker stepped forward and argued a motion for a new trial. The [illegible] some surprise—no preparation for trial, and [illegible] testimony, Mr. Baker made a very [illegible] speech, in which he said much of the press [illegible] the minds of persons against defendants [illegible] and by the aid of lively imagi- [illegible] frequently referred to Jimmy, and al- [illegible] as the "poor young man." The late [illegible] selling all his clients "poor [illegible] all "poor boys." Colo- [illegible] lost he get into the [illegible] "poor young men." [illegible] to whom the phrase [illegible] Mysterious Jimmy, [illegible] city will tell him a [illegible] found. In regard [illegible] the affidavit of one [illegible] ninth avenue, New [illegible] he was in Phila- [illegible] ; that it was dis- [illegible] performances. Strange to [illegible] liquor dealer of New York, [illegible] be found to swear to the [illegible] that he did discharge the pis- [illegible] and the circumstances here [illegible] the positive proof. The District Attorney, in [illegible] a few days before, taking [illegible] of the [illegible] was sent below for a further [illegible] is a large man, with a flat [illegible] and [illegible] a scar on his forehead.

OTHER STRANGERS.

Two young fellows, one a black-mustached "shoney" calling himself Theodore Harris, and the other light [illegible], who gave the name of Joseph Myers, were "pulled" the other day for helping themselves to [illegible] gold chains at jewelry establishments. Several of the stolen chains were found on them when captured by Detective Webb. They have been sent to "quod" for trial.

VIDOCQ.

☞ The letter of our Chicago Correspondent not having come by the afternoon mail, we are compelled to go to press without it.

[FROM OUR OWN REPORTER.]

Toronto Correspondence.

TORONTO, NOV. 30th, 1866.

For the last four weeks there has been a complete lull in the operations of the "[illegible]" and my correspondent took the opportunity given him by Sam on a term of imprisonment. The fact is the latter that "Reuben [illegible] [illegible] himself here [illegible] number of "[illegible]" in this city to whom such news would be exceedingly welcome, but I am afraid they will have to wait a while. On my return home I found things pretty quiet; but then they will remain so long I cannot doubt.

CHARGE IN THE AIR.

A brace of "burglars" named Harry Hilton alias Craig, hailing from Rochester, and Charley Cunningham, a Toronto boy, were "pleased to right" while attempting to "go through" the shoe store of Messrs. C. B. Brooks & Co., on Yonge street, one night last week. Wilson is a jig-dancer as well as a "crack," and has also sought employment as a servant in a respectable families—this of course is only a blind. He is a [illegible] [illegible] of which no doubt the "[illegible]" is [illegible] By the same token that the "[illegible]" had a [illegible] and that the "[illegible]" and "[illegible]" [illegible] Rogues' Gallery. He was now [illegible] [illegible] any "[illegible]" with which to do [illegible] [illegible] nothing [illegible] which that would be likely to convict him. [illegible] Cunningham is a "sneak thief" and sport, and is the same man who "cracked" the house of Mr. Ross, on Gerrard street, not long since. They had a "pal" in this "job" who got up the job for them, and who gave information as to [illegible] "fly-cop" [illegible] of the intended raid. They had a "[illegible]" [illegible] [illegible] "grabbed" [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

...d was begun as far back as the 26th of ..., 1864, when the lady's complaint was ori... ...ved on her offending and defending lord, ... some obscurely involved reason, the action ...ished in the Supreme Court of Brooklyn ... week, when it came up before his ...dge Gilbert, for final adjudication. The ...ling parties elected to be tried by this Court ...ithout a jury. Consequently, the entire dis... ...of the case rested in the breast of Judge ...lusively, on the presentation of the testi... The evidence in the case has been closed, ... decision of the Court will be rendered on ...y of this week. The complaint of Mrs. Ogil... ...nts an extraordinary record. Her action is ...ration from

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..., but that separation she asks the Court to ... permanent and forever. She does not charge ...sband with adultery, but she arraigns him ... catalogue of offences and outrages that in" ...all, if not more than all, of the essential venom ...ittery itself. After alleging the entire pro... ...of her own conduct during her marriage re..., the prudence and economy with which she had ...ged her household affairs, and the kindness and ...earance she at all times extended towards her ...and, Mrs. O. enters more definitely upon her ar... ...ment. She avers that about twelve years ago, ...854, her husband, Robert Ogilvie, commenced ... series of cruel and intolerable treatment which, ...withstanding all Mrs. O.'s kindness and forbear..., has continued with little interruption from ... time to this, till the accumulated volume of ...ges finally culminated in an irreconcilable rup... ...and an appeal by Mrs. Ogilvie to the courts for ...ction and redress. This lady charges the con... ...of her husband towards her to have been such, ...render it entirely "unsafe and improper for ...o cohabit with him." One of the scenes in the ...f offences is alleged to have occurred on Sun... ...morning, on the 6th of November, 1864, in the ...se of the parties in Greenpoint. The plaintiff ... defendant had not yet risen from bed, when the ...band is charged with having commenced a vio... ...assault and battery upon his wife. With clinch... ...fist he beat the lady in the face, striking her ...everal violent blows with great force." The venom ...he assault may be inferred from the fact that ...his unconjugal onset, the plaintiff's nose was ...le to "bleed," and one of her eyes was beaten ...ck and blue" and so badly disfigured, that "for ... space of three weeks thereafter she was asham... ...to and did not appear in public," with so much ...city did that discoloration adhere to the assault... ...ye. This is assuredly expressive evidence of ...r violent morning exercise, and especially of a ...day morning in bed. That time and hour should ...tainly have been suggestive of profounder tran... ...ity, if not of sweeter amiability. But instead of ..., the unpleasant season for quietude and prayer ...ears to have been devoted by the professedly re... ...us husband, to a species of combative "curtain ...ures." Indeed, we may characterize it as literally ... in the ugliest acceptation, a "curtain lecture" ...Kahabille. But the aggrieved wife fixes on another ...day scene. This, however, transpired at night, ...ead of on the morning of the Sabbath day. The ...mily jar" occurred on the 27th of March, 1864, at ...residence of the belligerent couple at Greenpoint. ...his occasion Mr. Robert Ogilvie is charged with ...ing devoted the evening stillness of a Sabbath ...ht, not only to striking his wife, "several violent ...s," but with knocking her down and choking ... with great violence. Again, on the 1st day of ...e, 1864, also at Greenpoint, "about noon of that ...," aye, in the sun's full meridian blaze, the same ...bert Ogilvie is once more charged, with beating ...d striking his wife "several violent blows with his ...nched fist," and also with kicking her "several ...es with great force." Another scene of the same ...ligerent species occurred at Greenpoint, on the ...h of November, 1864, when the aggressive Robert ...alleged to have indulged in the luxury of striking ... wife a violent blow with his hand. Passing from ... assault and battery part of the allegations, the ...y proceeds in her complaint to charge her hus... ...d with being a man of violent and ungovernable ...sions, and altogether unfit to have the care and ...tody of their infant children. Repeatedly since ...5 he is alleged to have characterized his wife with ... most opprobrious epithets, stigmatizing her as a

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...the very presence and hearing of their children. ...r was this all. In the dangerous presence of the ...ne offspring, he is alleged to have wickedly hurled ...his wife the accusation of having committed adul... ...y "with several different men." One of these sc... ...atory scenes was enacted at Greenpoint on the ...h of March, 1864, when the enraged Robert ...arged his wife with the compound offence of adul... ...y and theft, accused her with having stolen his ...ney, and still worse, declared, in the presence of ...ir children, that he "was not the father of all ...ir children." Again, on the 20th of November, ...4, also at Greenpoint, the conjugal Robert is al... ...ed with having charged his wife, again "in the ...sence and hearing of some of their children," ...h the commission of adultery "with five differ... ...men," which allegations and charges above set ...th the lady avers are, "and each and every of them ... wholly and entirely false and untrue." The lady ...ther marshals in her list of grievances and avers ...a part of the aggravations deliberately offered her ...her husband, that on the 1st day of September, ...4, her husband took their son, David, then but ...een years old, away from his home and shipped ...n as a sailor, without consulting the boy's mother ...t without as much even as her knowledge and con... ...t to the act.

The lady further charges her husband with "cruelly ...electing, and refusing, for some years past, to fur... ...h and provide herself and those of her young ...ildren yet dependent for support, with sufficient ... proper clothing, although often requested so to ... by the plaintiff." Among the specifications ...uped under this general charge, the complainant ...s forth that about the 1st of October, 1864, the ...ildren, Mary Jane and George, of those yet depen... ...nt on their parents for support, were taken dan... ...rously ill with scarlet fever, under which they ...re prostrated through October and till near the ...t of the following November. Yet during all that ...kness, "there were only two night gowns in the ...use for their use, and when the plaintiff requested ...r. Robert Ogilvie to furnish them with sufficient ...thing, the defendant refused to do so," telling the ...laintiff "to buy them night gowns out of the money ...e had stolen from him." Again, on the 9th of ...ovember, 1864, during the height of the fever af... ...cting the said children, Mr. Robert Ogilvie is al... ...ged to have absented himself from his house for ...ur consecutive days, "without saying where he ...s going or when he would return," and that ...hen he thus absented himself "he left only forty... ...ght cents, or thereabouts, to purchase medicines" ...r the languishing children during his absence. ...nd the plaintiff further alleges that by reason of ...e aforesaid cruel and monstrous conduct towards ...r, she deems it unsafe for her to live with her ...usband, or to remain within the reach of his vio... ...nce. Mrs. O. further avers that she and her infant ...ildren, Ann, Mary Jane and George, are now (No... ...mber, 1864, the date of this complaint) quite des... ...te of clothing, and that she has no means of her ...wn for support for herself and said infant children; ...at she has no place to which she can go at present ...November, 1864) with her said infant children; and ...r these reasons she is compelled, for the time ...ing, to remain under the same roof with her hus... ...nd. [It will be seen in the sequel that Mrs. Ogil... ..., subsequent to the aforesaid November, 1864, and ...revious to the present divorce trial, fled from her ...r husband's cruelty, and took refuge with a bro... ...er in Jersey City.] But though thus living under ...e same roof with her husband, she occupied a se... ...rate room, and has not cohabited with him since ...e latter part of May, 1864. The regular income of ...e defendant is alleged to be about $1,500a year. ...n the ground of this and the other foregoing alle... ...tions, Mrs. Ogilvie prays the Court for a judg... ...ent decreeing "a separation from bed and board ...rever" between herself and Robert Ogilvie, and ...at he be compelled by the Court to make a proper ...d suitable provision for the support of Mrs. O. and ...r infant children. And the plaintiff further prays ...w the "care, custody and education" of said infant ...ildren, on account of the utter unfitness of the ...sband and father to be entrusted with such a ...ge.

...ve thus given a skeleton analysis of Mrs. ... accusations against her husband. The ...ese accusations came off on Thursday and ...st week, and the evidence there adduced ... with painful interest the charges preferred ...plainant. The principal witnesses in the ... father and mother, including the older ... this distracted family. It is a striking ...l the children who appeared as witnesses ...k sides emphatically with their mother. ... to the testimony of the plaintiff in the ...hat of her sons, John and Robert Ogilvie, ... eldest daughters, Betsey and Annie, the ... of assault and battery of the defendant on his wife, to the extent of bloodshing that wounding her face, were fully sustained. It was also shown by the same witnesses that the defendant was a malignant personality for pushing his charge from under his wife, and then throwing her on the floor.

The same disinterested witnesses also asserted that the defendant on one occasion seized Mrs. Ogilvie and knocked her around violently against the stove; that he kicked her, and was in the constant habit of nicknaming her as a "pig" at the table, and charging her, in the presence of her children, with the revolting accusation of criminal relations with a negro of the neighborhood. Mr. O. was a Sunday-school teacher at Greenpoint, and it was especially after his returns from church and the religious observances there practiced, that he would disclose the peculiar venom of his violence towards his wife.

In addition to the foregoing evidence of the children, two neighbors of Mrs. O. at Greenpoint testified, that on several occasions she had fled to their houses for protection from her husband, rushing in with her hair all dishevelled and her person bruised and bleeding. Other evidence was adduced too gross for publication, showing the intolerable brutality of the defendant toward her whom he was bound to "love and protect." The cruel treatment recited in Mrs. O.'s complaint, commencing some twelve years ago, was continued by the defendant for many years with impunity, on account of the helpless minority of the children. But when these children finally reached an age enabling them to take intelligent notice of their father's conduct towards their mother and interfere in her behalf, the aggrieved mother then for the first time began to indulge in some hopes of relief.

But it was a painful case for children to range themselves on either side. And accordingly it appears that during the years 1862, '63 and '64, the brutality of Mr. O. was unremitting, and knew no bounds. In the year 1865, the year following that in which Mrs. O. commenced her action, and during the pendency of the action, so outrageous had Mr. O.'s conduct become, that Mrs. O. was compelled to fly from his home and take refuge with her brother, a respectable mechanic in Jersey City, taking her children with her. Hither Mr. O. at length followed her, and succeeded in creating an immense sensation in the streets of that city on a summer Sunday of 1865, just as people were coming from church, by violently seizing one of the children from the mother and hastening off with it. After the style of the Peruvian Rolla in the well-known play, our hero grasped the child to his arms, and dramatically brandishing a knife, he threatened death to any or all who should presume to interfere with him. This extraordinary action by Mr. Robert Ogilvie, was made the subject of investigation at the time by the Police Court of Jersey City. But enough of this.

THE DEFENCE

of Mr. Ogilvie consisted only of his own testimony, unsupported by a single other witness, in opposition to that of all his children, his wife included. The accused in his answer recites a long list of charges against his wife, many of which look a good deal strained on their face, and inconsistent with each other. The gravest charges contained in this answer, in a species of indirect way, fling over Mrs. O. the accusation of adultery. But though thus accusing the plaintiff, the defendant does not venture to ask for an absolute divorce, as the accusation of adultery would warrant if founded in truth, but only asks the Court to decree in his behalf a "separation from bed and board."

The defendant's testimony of course supported his own accusations with a kind of dreary fidelity, but without the endorsement of a single other witness. The nature of Judge Gilbert's decree, expected on Saturday of this week, can hardly be a matter of question.

Mr. Robert Ogilvie, the defendant in this case, is a man about fifty years of age, of stout, robust build, with a face indicative of intelligence, yet mixed with a kind of wild, eccentric glare of expression. His general bearing and appearance convey the idea of a substantial, gentlemanly man. But, alas, how the evidence against him contradicts these appearances! The complaintant, Mrs. Ogilvie, is a few years younger than her husband, and wears an exceedingly pale, suffering look. Her style and manner are neat and lady-like, and there is an air of quiet resignation about her, that cannot fail to enlist the sympathy of the observer. We could not avoid observing as we looked on her in Court, what chapters of woe are hidden in the tracery of that sad face! Mr. John Cooney acted as her attorney through the melancholy trial.

TRIAL OF THE FURMAN STREET HOMICIDE.

Characteristic of Brooklyn Criminality.

SPLENDID DISPLAY OF FORENSIC ABILITY.

Last week another of those wretched cases of blood-spilling was tried before a jury in the County of Kings. In some respects the difficulty which brought on this unhappy killing was little more than a brawl among the rowdy element of those who so largely congregate in the City of Churches.

We are not inclined to guage humanity by any very high standard. Least of all is it our intention to speak harshly of a community, many of whom may have the misfortune to be compelled to shoulder the sins of a floating population, who, in too many instances, "leave their country for their country's good," and too often also inflict upon the people whom they come to reside amongst, the abomination of desolation—the curse of their presence. But we simply chronicle facts as we find them; and among the facts which it would be culpable in us to neglect or ignore, are the deeds of crime upon the people in the great city of New York. Talk of sins committed against property. Property may be sacred, but life should be more sacred; and for one dollar we may impose for the guardianship of property, let us impose thousands for guarding, protecting, and saving human life. But with an expensive police force in all its ramifications, and the progressive intelligence of the times, life and property seem to be in greater jeopardy than even in the fogy days of sleepy watchmen. Perhaps it is that ruffianism and rascality, and the general spirit of criminality, keep pace with the improvement in this arts and sciences; but the facts, we are painfully obliged to publish week after week, are a sad commentary on the efforts of the great lights, doctors and teachers of our multitudinous synagogues, temples, churches and courts.

TWO HOMICIDES.

On the 6th day of last August Eugene J. Fergus killed Patrick McGuann, by shooting him with a pistol, at the corner of State and Furman streets, Brooklyn, the facts of which we published at the time. Last week the trial took place before Judges Lott, Vourhies, and Hoyt, at the Court of Oyer and Terminer. Mr. James Troy, the Assistant District-Attorney, opened the case with his usual ability, Messrs. John Cooney and John H. Knachel defended the prisoner.

Testimony having been offered for the people clearly establishing the facts charged in the District-Attorney's opening, Mr. Knachel opened for the defence. The great feature of the case was the summing up of Mr. John Cooney, who made an address which elicited not only admiration, but the applause of all who heard him. Mr. Cooney is among the rare few who elevate the profession from its necessarily dry routine—its Gradgrind requirements for "facts, facts, facts"—by his beautiful and appropriate application of a literature varied, polished, and rich, and an imagination at once vivid and powerful, in the elucidation of legal argument. After commenting on the testimony for the prosecution, he said:

"We are in no craven spirit for sympathy in this case. We demand justice accordingto the law as it is laid down by precedent. Its voice proclaims for him the same rights and guaranty—protection for him the same doom, or holds forth to him the same forbearance. The meanest wretch that exists at night into his covert hovel may invoke its protection, equal with the aristocrat whose pride comes down from some Tory title, or the mesotic nabob, whose veins the blood and agony of a nation have turned to gold. It spreads its broad pinions to shield him whose countenance of innocence remains. So mote it be, if it is, let justice be done though the heavens fall. If sanctions so sacrilegious, it perishes by profanation. Though another curfew tolled at night or morn from the red head of the prowling cathedral, my duty is to answer for his act alone, unperplexed by passion. Every sympathy of the law of self-love, and however much in these latter days it may have been reversed, he is here, and I invoke the power in all the force and righteousness that by it is vested. I deemed I myself of cold-blooded. I am sure you are satisfied beyond all reasonable doubt from the this evidence disclosed of his mind and heart on the occasion in question, that he is guilty. That responsible for the law makes his property, a victim of your oaths, you cannot refuse it from him. It comes upon you in its majesty to the unspeakable hate of life or death. Upon its scafold! His in the wide world unpitied and unwept, or cared, or his decree out in the dark unknown. But at the last day, when it clothes you with this dreadly more than human attributes, it will be the part from or violate. In questions of [illegible] Antichrist is [illegible] to cast, [illegible] question [illegible] Mr. Troy summed up for the people clearly, the case was given to the jury, who [illegible] brought in a verdict of guilty of [illegible] the third degree.

Mr. Cooney, who [illegible] and effective in [illegible] cause, is soon [illegible] heard, [illegible] entered the office of [illegible] ...

The Gambling Vice.

ALARMING SPREAD OF THE EVIL.

Its Ruinous and Baneful Effect.

A Systematic Effort for its Suppression in New York Adopted by the Police Authorities.

Raid on a Twelfth Street Gambling House.

In this great city, teeming with every variety of sin and crime, there is no vice that has gained such a foothold, none that is so common as that of gaming. Our great Broadway is dotted with the "hells" of the gambler, and at every block one meets with a group of men, seemingly idle, smoking leisurely or lounging about, composed of the well-dressed "ropers-in," as they are termed, and whose business it is to act as an indication of the vicinity of a gambling establishment to the initiated, and as decoys and enticers into the snare, of young men, innocent and unwary.

A prominent reason for the success of this destructive vice is that it is founded upon the same principle on which many branches of business are based—that of risk, or chance. For instance, the banker, the operator on 'change finds a marked similarity between the risking of his money at the faro table and the outlay in gold, taking the chances of a speedy rise. To such it is easy to make the transition from mercantile to the so-called professional gambling.

But the chief reason of the popularity of gaming is the unnatural excitement which it affords to and with which it inspires the veins of the one who has been so indiscreet, so unguardedly reckless as to throw his gold on the turn of a fickle fortune. And how enticing has this excitement proven from the first, that the gambler, not patient enough to trust to the chance which will sooner or later inevitably bring him success, has at length resorted to direct means to hasten the consummation of his object by destroying all chance fairly created, and making the result in his favor a speedy certainty. Thus it has come to pass that all so-called games of chance used by the gambler in playing with his victims have been reduced to a science to him. The most ingenious machinery has been devised, and innumerable tricks and artifices have been resorted to, until now every gaming house has become nothing more nor less than an institution of robbery. Woe to the man who throws himself, as he [illegible] to the clutches of these villainous leeches! he risks his money, or rather casts it where there is a certainty that he will be stripped of it, even to his last penny. Many is the young man who, starting out in life with bright prospects and assurances of a brilliant success, has at the very outset of his career, fallen into the clutches of the gambler, and been stripped of his earnings, his character, his all, and left early in life's race a poor and worthless wreck.

We are not of an age to gain wisdom by experience; and few there are who are willing to profit by the evil effect of vice seen in others, but must needs put themselves into the eddying vortex which speedily engulfs them in destruction.

Of late, efforts have been made by the police in certain sections of this city to avail themselves to the utmost of the meagre provisions of the laws which exist prohibitory in permissions vice of gaming. These efforts have been made with a vigor which has been productive of considerable success. The cause is a worthy one, and in their endeavors to root out the hellish evil, there are hundreds of good and virtuous citizens who will wish the authorities a hearty God-speed.

Regularly every Saturday night for several weeks past, detachments of the police force whose duty it is to report to the magistrate at the Jefferson Market Police Court, have made descents upon the various and successful gambling halls within their several precincts. They have generally been successful, and on the following morning the prisoners' box has been filled with those who had by them been captured in the fruitless pursuit. A fine is usually imposed, and the keepers required to find securities in a heavy sum for their appearance for trial, while the implements and apparatus of their profession have been destroyed.

The last raid that was made on the gamblers was made on Saturday night, by a detachment of the Fifteenth Precinct, on a den situated at No. 55 West Twelfth street. This was kept by one Edward Wilson, and, situated in a most accessible and densely thronged portion of the city, has long been intended for the operations. Seven persons were discovered while engaged in playing faro. Their names are David Wilson (above mentioned), Richard Thompson, Edward Lewis, Richard Plantagenet, Isaac Bickford, David Maegher, and William Foster. They were all arraigned before Justice Ledwith, on Sunday morning. The apparatus of the place, consisting of a "lay-out," a dealing box, a pile of checks, packs of cards, etc., in all to the value of about five hundred dollars, was ordered to be sent to headquarters for destruction. Wilson, the proprietor, was bound over for trial in the sum of $500, while the others were let off by payment of a fine of $10 each.

Fatal Occurrence.

A Husband Kills his Wife, and Attempts to Kill his Son.

On Tuesday, 21st inst., says the Bradford *Reporter*, one of the most distressing occurrences we have ever been called upon to record, took place in Sheshequin township, Bradford county. The facts, as we have received them from reliable persons, are as follows: In the forenoon of that day, Mr. John Kingsland, a respectable farmer, residing in the upper part of the Valley, came into his house from the field, and commenced changing his clothes. The servant girl heard some words pass between Mr. K. and his wife, when the latter rushed from the room, pursued by her husband, who was evidently bent upon inflicting personal violence upon her. The girl, alarmed, hurried out of the house, and cried for assistance. Meanwhile Kingsland had caught his wife, knocked her down, and was stamping upon her head with his feet, when her mother, an aged woman, entered the room and pushed him off the prostrate body. He endeavored to re-commence his brutal work, but the mother successfully resisted his efforts, and he left the house.

From his house he went to William Snyder's, a distance of two miles, where his son, a young man, was at work, and, after a few words, pulled out a revolver, firing twice at him, happily without effect.

Kingsland was immediately arrested, taken to Athens, and, after an examination, committed to the jail of the county to await his trial.

Mrs. Kingsland was terribly bruised about the head, and lingered insensible until Monday, when death put an end to her sufferings. A *post mortem* examination disclosed the fact that her skull was crushed in several places. She was aged about 45 years, and leaves three children to mourn her loss, aggravated by the unfortunate manner of her death.

Kingsland is a respectable farmer, in comfortable circumstances, and but for occasional paroxysms of passion, a temperate and well disposed man. Some difficulty which had occurred in the family seems to have aroused all his evil passions, and in a moment of ungovernable fury had led him to the commission of a crime too shocking to contemplate, and which plunges a large circle of relatives in the deepest affliction.

THE CONCERT SALOON.

Its Influence upon Metropolitan Morals and Manners.

AN EVIL THAT REQUIRES A REMEDY.

Descent upon a Broadway Free-and-Easy.

The Establishment Broken Up and the Inmates Arrested.

&c., &c., &c.

Among the many institutions which exist in this city for the purpose of corrupting the manners and leading astray the young, mind pandering to the vile sentiment, and all the [illegible] ...

A Brutal Assault.

A Gang of Grain Laborers Attack One of their Number.

He is Beaten Unmercifully, and His Ear Bit Off.

THE PERPETRATORS OF THE OUTRAGE STILL AT LARGE.

It is a singular fact that the history of crime has, in every instance almost, gone to prove that it has been epidemical in its nature, and that, at the same time, it has as fixed a regularity in its increase or decrease as the recurrence and succession of the seasons; or the rise and fall of the tide. In the warm summer months there is a frequency of offences of one character; and then when the weather changes and the season draws on to a close, and the nights grow long and cold, deeds of violence, rapes, highway robberies, and the garrote, are plied with a growing frequency and success. That the climate has a great deal to do with these phenomena, the bracing and stirring air of winter tending to acts of violence—has been urged; but whether this be true or not it is sufficient to know that the fact exists. During the present season physical violence has been additionally resorted to with astonishing frequency, scarcely a night passing that some one of our citizens is not assaulted and brutally beaten, or pounded nearly to death by some ruffian, and left to be picked up in the wildest manner. [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ...

Domestic Criminal News.

LYNCH LAW IN KENTUCKY.

A JAIL BROKEN INTO BY A MOB.

They Force the Jailor to Deliver up the Keys.

Three Alleged Robbers Taken Out and Hanged.

Horrible Suffering of the Victims.

A correspondent of a Louisville paper gives the following details of a shocking tragedy that recently took place at Lebanon, Marion county, Ky. At exactly 11:45 P. M., on Saturday, Nov. 24, a number of men, armed with guns and pistols, surrounded the county jail, which is situated directly in the centre of Lebanon, broke open the front door and demanded of the jailor the key to the dungeon part of the jail. The mob, which appeared to be under the control of one leader, made no noise, picketed the streets, and arrested all citizens whom they found on the streets. Those persons who lived on Main street, and who were curious enough to open windows, were warned to keep their heads in, a warning that was quickly complied with. Eighteen men, armed with guns, rolled a large hogshead up to the northwest corner of Main and Republican streets, behind which they hid themselves, appearently ready to fire on any man who made an effort to go to the jail. The other corners of the streets were guarded by armed men. The various streets in town were also guarded by armed men. Every precaution was taken by the mob to prevent assistance reaching the jail.

When the front door of the jail was broken open, the jailor ran up-stairs and hid himself. When he was missed, parties in the mob brought a sledge-hammer and attempted to break open the door of the jail. After hammering at it for some time, they found this mode of entrance impracticable, and commenced searching for the jailor. Doors were broken open, and he was finally found hid in a garret room in the room up-stairs of the jail. He was immediately seized, compelled to deliver up the keys, and held in custody.

In the meantime the prisoners, eight in number, were fully awakened by the hammering at the jail door, and fully understood the danger that menaced them. They shrieked and yelled for help, and armed themselves with billets of wood and stones, determined to sell their lives as dearly as possible.

When the mob obtained the keys of the jail door, they opened it, and they did the inner latticed iron door which led into the dungeon. Wm. Goode had armed himself with a huge billet of wood, and hid behind the door, ready to strike as the mob entered. After some parleying in the passage, five men marched into the dungeon, meeting with no opposition. They formed a line by the wall of the jail and called for Clem. Crowdus, Wm. Goode, and Thomas Stephens, who immediately answered to their names. As they delivered themselves up, the leader of the men said: "Crowdus, I have been looking for you for a long time." To this speech Crowdus answered: "I know you have, Mr. ——," calling the man by name. The three prisoners were immediately marched from jail, the jail door securely fastened, and the jailor released. The mob, which was on foot, immediately left the city in the direction of Grimes' Hill, a small hill situated about one and a half miles east of Lebanon. Their horses were hitched and guarded in the edge of the city. When they left the jail they gave one triumphant yell, which awoke a large number of other citizens, and must have struck terror to the hearts of their prisoners. Many citizens saw them as they marched out towards Grimes' Hill, and they say there must have been about seventy-five regarding the prisoners, in addition to the men who guarded the streets, who numbered about seventy-five more. The mob left Lebanon at 12:30 on Sunday evening, the 25th inst.

What took place at Grimes' Hill prior to the hanging, no one, except those engaged, knows. A man living near the place says that the mob remained to the prisoners a long time, had prayers, and appeared to act in a business-like manner. It is not known whether the prisoners begged for their lives or not. No one can tell how they suffered from fright, nor how they suffered while hanging.

GRIMES' HILL

is a small hill one and a half miles east of Lebanon, and is studded thinly with oak trees. The Danville turnpike runs directly over it, and the Knoxville railroad cuts through it. Lebanon cannot be seen from the hill, but the summit of the hill is sufficiently elevated to give a good view of the country for several miles around.

The place of hanging is directly on the top of the hill, equally distant from the turnpike and the railroad—about 100 yards from each. The tree to which they were hung is a black oak, with one large limb, extending in a northern direction, which is about twelve feet from the ground. Appearances indicate that the prisoners were hung one at a time, commencing with Crowdus. He must have been placed on a horse, his hands tied behind him, the rope adjusted around his neck and the horse led from under him. Appearances also indicate that the rope slipped, for his heels nearly touched a root of a tree that ran out under his feet. Indeed he must have struggled to get a foothold on this root. A declination only prevented his saving his life by doing this. Imagine a man dangling at the end of a rope with his hands securely bound behind him, just able to touch ground, and not able to release himself from the suffocating horrors and pains of death! Wm. Goode seems next to have been called. The rope around his neck slipped so much as to stand on his feet. His legs were doubled and his feet tied to his hands. His knees then were not more than six inches from the ground. Thomas Stephens was next hung. It appears that the first rope placed around his neck was broken, for three ropes were found around his neck the following morning. His feet were about six inches from the ground.

The limb on which they were hung was about seven feet long, so that Stephens and Crowdus were within six feet of each other. They must have endured intolerable pain, since they all died of strangulation. Crowdus' face was hid by a handkerchief. When it was removed his mouth was found to be open and the rope with which he was hung imbedded in his neck. William Goode had quite a pitiful expression; he and Stephens both appeared to have attempted to prevent suffocation by holding their chins firmly down upon their breasts. Stephens looked as well as when I last saw him in our court-house, when he was being tried for bigamy, etc. After the death of the prisoners their hats were carefully placed upon their heads. They looked so much like men standing on the ground attempting to hide themselves behind a tree, that an old negro who passed them in the morning spoke to them, and hurried on to town very much frightened because they would not speak to him. After the hanging the mob joined in one last shout, and left for parts unknown.

CLEM. CROWDUS

was a young man, the son of Sam Crodus, who lives in the eastern part of Warren county. He was about twenty-three years old, near six feet high, light complexion, light hair, blue eyes and light whiskers. He was a man of but little education, no refinement, and yet not unprepossessing in his manners. He never was celebrated for his industry, and was undoubtedly led into a vicious course by whiskey and bad company. His aged father and mother are persons of the highest respectability and undoubted integrity. For them the people have the greatest sympathy. Crowdus was confined in the Marion county jail for safe keeping, having been sent here from Springfield. He was charged with committing numerous robberies, and was believed to be one of a party of men who committed atrocious outrages on several ladies in Washington county. He was last arrested in Elizabethtown, Ky., on bench warrants, and held in confinement in default of bail, amounting to about $4,000. He is the same Crowdus who saved himself from the Indiana penitentiary by turning State's evidence against his accomplices.

WILLIAM GOODE.

was a younger man than Crowdus, being no more than nineteen years old. He was about five feet, five inches tall, slender in his make, bad countenance, light complexion and hair, blue eyes, and had neither education nor refinement, and yet was a boy who would make friends by his insinuating manners. He was a murderer, having killed James Crodus last spring. He was in jail in default of $4,200 bail on bench warrants issued from the Washington Circuit Court, in which county he was charged with numerous robberies and other misdemeanors of the gravest character. He was a terror to his neighbors, and brought constant grief upon his friends. Like Crowdus, he was led into evil habits by drinking and bad company. His father was at one time a magistrate in Marion county, and now resides in that county.

THOMAS STEPHENS

was a resident of Casey county, and about thirty-eight years old, strongly built, bald-headed, and was possessed of a good brain. He served in the late war as private in company G, 6th Kentucky cavalry. He was arrested not long ago, charged with robbery, and was held in jail in default of $300 bail. He was charged also with assisting Taylor in murdering old Mr. Bottoms last spring, near Perryville, Ky.

All three of the prisoners hung until cut down by our Coroner, Maurice Doody. The Coroner's jury returned a verdict: "Came to their death by being hung by parties unknown."

It is said that the leader of the mob was well known and fully identified. I will not mention the name given to me, for fear that I do the man injustice."

THE MOB

was undoubtedly composed of many of the best citizens of Marion, Boyle, and Washington counties, and was fully backed by the united sentiments of all the people in these counties. I did not see the mob, but am informed that it was orderly and determined. I have yet to hear any man depreciate the hanging. True, a number of citizens unite with myself in holding that mob law at best is wrong—a wrong upon the people, upon the State, upon law. But all are satisfied that innocent men did not suffer, and that a step has been taken that will insure the peace and tranquility of our county. You who are not in central Kentucky can hardly guess how thoroughly our people are terrified, how badly they are maltreated, and how unsafe life is. Men on retiring at night have no assurances that they will wake in the morning; and virtuous women are never safe from insult and injury.

In the edge of Warren and Washington counties most atrocious robberies have been committed this fall, and most heinous insults heaped upon women. Undoubtedly the mob that operated here had positive proof against the men they hung, because they refused to interrupt five other men confined in jail on charge of robbery.

The bodies of the dead men are now in our county court house, awaiting the reclamation of their friends.

It is understood that the mob cautioned several suspected men that they must mend their ways or expect a rope.

An Impromptu Execution.

SOME LITTLE BOYS TRY THE EFFECTS OF A HALTER ON A COMRADE.

Yesterday afternoon, says a Milwaukie (Wis.) paper of the 24th ult., about 4 o'clock, officer Strong, of the 8th ward, in passing a barn or outbuilding near the outskirts of his ward, heard a boy crying bitterly, and, upon looking in, he saw a boy hung by a halter to a beam in the barn, struggling violently, while a half dozen other boys gling violently, while a half dozen other boys stood around, apparently horror-stricken at the sight, one of them crying bitterly—the noise of which had attracted the officer. Mr. Strong immediately relieved the little fellow who was being so unceremoniously sent out of the world, and found that he had been in the condition discovered but a moment, yet sufficiently long to feel a very peculiar sensation about the neck, and no doubt would, in a short time longer, been past relief. As it was, he gasped, and gagged, and declared that there was no amusement in the affair, rubbed his neck, and looked at the very badly frightened boys as if he felt sure they had been endeavoring to play a joke upon him, the precise point of which he could scarcely see.

As soon as the boys recovered their senses, officer Strong took them to their home, when it was learned that they had been playing in the barn, when a little half breed Indian boy came along and looked in upon them. As the half-breed was a novelty to the boys, and as their play was getting tiresome for want of a change, they concluded to have some fun with him, and tormented him, when he began to cry, saying he was hungry. One of the boys had listened to the reading of the account of an execution, and told his companions all about it, and they concluded to try the effect of hanging upon the half-breed. With assurance that they would not hurt him, and a promise to give him a good supper if he would do as they wanted him to, he consented, was placed upon the head of a barrel, a rope halter was made fast one end to a beam overhead, the other about the half-breed's neck, with a knot that looked as though all the boys had had a hand in tying it, the barrel was pushed away, and there the little half-breed hung, a foot and a half from the floor.

The boys who were from 7 to 10 years of age, had certainly no idea of what they were doing, for they were frightened completely out of their senses. They could not hollow, nor even help their victim, who was kicking and exhibiting evident signs of distress, and the only noise made was by the youngest of the party, who began to cry and call for his mother. It was this noise that attracted the attention of the officer, and saved the half-breed from a most tragical end.

A Fearful Outrage in Wisconsin.

ANOTHER RAILROAD MURDER.

We learn from the Milwaukee (Wis.) papers that early on Friday morning, as the freight train No. 10 was going west, and had passed Columbus, equidistant between that station and Fall river, the engineer discovered a man lying a few rods from the track, who proved to be dead. It appears that for some weeks past, there have at times during the night-time, been obstructions placed upon the track between Fall river and Otsego, directed to the injury of freight trains, but were productive of no serious injury, as care was used by those having the trains in charge. At times there were, also, showers of stones and other missiles thrown upon the engines, breaking the head-lights and the glass windows, but not injuring the men on the locomotive. Some loose ties had likewise been thrust into the cattle guards. No cause of provocation was known; accordingly watchmen were placed nightly on the track. A part of this duty was assigned to James Downey, living at Columbus, a man of years, who has a family of a wife and six children, and has been at times much in the employ of the railroad. A few days since, this man stated, he had seen posted on a tree, a notice warning him of danger if he appeared on the road as watchman.

The night previous he went out on the train as usual, saying to his family on leaving the house he expected to be murdered, and was found this morning, as above stated. On the spot where he was found there was evidence of a desperate struggle. His watchman's heavy cane was found broken in two, and bloody. There was evidence of his body having been dragged some rods from the track. Dr. Benson was called as examining physician. There was a deep cut on the back of his head, through his fur cap, large enough to put a finger into; bruises on his face, on both ankles, in front and on the back of one hip, and his hands and fingers were badly swollen and lacerated, showing a vigorous self-defence, and an attack both front and rear. Downey was tall and rather powerfully built, but somewhat given to intemperate habits.

Two men have been arrested who are badly mixed up in the affair—Adam Sisser and Pat. Burk, both well known in this vicinity as rough characters. Both of the suspected parties acknowledge being with Downey in the night, but their accounts of the affair are somewhat mixed.

The two men spoken of, have been placed in confinement, and there seems little doubt of their guilt. Cattle had been killed on the road where the obstructions were placed upon the track, but these men owned no cattle, and if guilty of the act, were hired to commit it by others.

Inquiring Bagmen on a Western Tour.

THEY GROSSLY INSULT A WELL-KNOWN ACTRESS.

The week before last three commercial travellers for wholesale houses in the East, arrived at Columbus, (Ohio.,) and put up at the American Hotel in that city. Two of them, Benjamin Bruce, Jr., and Charles L. Stewart, represented respectable houses in New York city, and Benjamin B. Peck was from Springfield, Mass. They were put in a room adjoining the one occupied by Miss Lucille Western, the popular actress, now playing an engagement at the opera house. After Miss Western had retired to her room, and in *dishabille* was kneeling with her child at her bedside in the act of prayer, with her head elevated, she observed a face peering over the transom of the door leading from the room into that occupied by the three men. She immediately sprang behind the clothes-press, but could not leave her position to reach the bell without exposing some part of her person. In this situation she remained nearly an hour, until her husband came and relieved her. A policeman was immediately called, who succeeded in arresting one of the parties, B. B. Peck, but the others fastened their door, where they remained until morning, when they were also arrested. Peck was taken to the calaboose, where he had the extreme pleasure of sleeping on a board behind bolts and bars until morning.

They all appeared before his Honor, the mayor, in the morning, and two of them, Peck and Stewart, were identified by Miss Western as being guilty of the act—but it was found that there was no ordinance which would reach their case, and they were consequently discharged with a striking admonition from the mayor. It is said that Bruce was not engaged in the scandalous transaction.

Subsequently the husband of Miss Western met Peck at the American, and walked up to him, spat into his face three different times, and he slunk away, too much of a cowardly destard to resent it.

Another Frisey—Desperate Stabbing Affray in a Porter House.

A most daring and desperate affray transpired on Thursday evening, in a porter house, in South Eighth street, Jersey City. A young man named John Friery, who has shown himself to be a prototype of his predecessor, Barney Friery, whose ignominious death is doubtless still fresh in the minds of our readers, has shown himself to be possessed of the same vindictive and blood-thirsty characteristics and the same qualifications in general as Barney. On Thursday last he entered the saloon above alluded to, and indulged in several drinks, and became very boisterous and noisy. So obnoxious became his presence in the place that it was considered prudent to eject him, and two or three men stepped forward for that purpose. Friery at once drew a knife, and assumed a threatening attitude. James Moran, a young man well known, was assailed by Friery and stabbed in the abdomen, after which, with the utmost coolness, Friery wiped the bloody weapon upon his coat sleeve, and remarked: "I guess I've done for him now." Friery was subsequently arrested and locked up. The injured man received a dangerous wound which will probably prove fatal.—Friery is but nineteen years of age.

SMOKING.—An infant, newly born, was found in the yard of Chas. H. Bowen, of Pelham, Westchester Co. It was discovered that it belonged to Mary Kellan, a domestic in their employ, and had been thrown from the window.

Foreign Criminal News.

Atrocious Outrage.

On Wednesday, at Marlborough street Police Court, James Mitchell and John Strahan were charged with committing a rape on Catherine Hunt, a girl about 14 years of age.

The prosecutrix, a simple-looking girl, stated that she went to sleep in an empty room in an cottage at the rear of a house in Husband street, where the prisoners came in and said they would have her life if she screamed. They each assaulted her. There was no light in the place, and she cried for some time, and at last a constable came and ordered the men to open the door, which was fastened; and they opened it and ran away. The prisoners got access to the room in consequence of the street door being always open.

Inspector Harrison explained that the house in Husband street had been condemned, and that persons lived in them on sufferance.

Woods 210 C, deposed that between one and two in the morning he went to the back of some houses in Husband street about to be pulled down, and heard some one moaning. After listening for a moment he heard a man make use of a threatening expression. He knocked at the door of a cottage up some steps, and some in the place said, "Who's there?" He said "Police," and the door was opened. He turned his lantern on to see who was in the house, and immediately two men rushed at him. He seized one of the men, but the man managed to get away from him, and although he pursued them he was unable to overtake them. He then went back to the place, and found the prosecutrix still in the place crying bitterly. He believed the prisoners were the men who rushed past him.

Catherine Hunt, mother of the girl, said that her daughter had been in the habit of going from her home in Queen street, Soho, and staying with a little girl for days together. Her daughter was away on Saturday, and as she knew she was in the habit of going to a place to sleep she went on Saturday to look after her. She found her in Mead's court, and on scolding her for stopping out she left again. She afterwards went to the house in Husband street to look for her, and there heard how she had been treated the previous night. She watched the house till between two and three on Monday morning, when she saw the two prisoners coming up the street. Strahan went into the room in the yard of No. 7, and she then went for a policeman, but could not find one.

Sergeant Cole, 28 C, said he apprehended the prisoners from the description he received of them from the last witness.

Both prisoners denied committing the offence, and Mitchell said that he had been mistaken for another person.

For the defence a woman named Gilbert was called, and she said she saw two men rush out of the place, but it was neither of the prisoners; and Thomas Mitchell, stepfather to Strahan, said that Strahan went to bed at half-past eleven.

Another witness, named Margaret Maskell, a widow, living at No. 9, Husband street, said her window was about three yards from the room in which the girl slept. At half-past two on Sunday morning she was awoke by cries, which continued from two till a quarter to four on Sunday morning—the cries coming from the room in the cottage. She got out of bed, and on looking out of the window saw that it was a policeman who was looking into the room with his light through the sash, over which there was a piece of black stuff. She heard the policeman say, "It's just what I thought. You are taking the advantage of a little girl." Witness said, "It's a cruel thing, and it has been going on for above an hour." The policeman told the persons inside to open the door, and it was opened. There was then a tussle, and two men rushed out. One of them was a tall man about forty years of age, and the other a short stout man; but the prisoners were not the men.

Mr. Tyrwhitt asked the witness how it was that she did not interfere when she heard the crying for such a length of time.

The witness said that there had been a robbery in the house the same night, and being a lone woman was afraid to interfere.

Mr. Tyrwhitt said he should send the case for trial.

Omnibus Thieves.

Mary Clarke, a respectable-looking woman, was charged with being concerned with Mary Jones, now in St. George's Workhouse, in stealing a sovereign from Elizabeth Pedder, in an Atlas omnibus.

The prosecutrix said she was the wife of a sergeant in the Coldstream Guards, and lived at Chelsea Barracks. She met her husband at the Horse Guards, when she received a sovereign from him and put it loose in the pocket of her dress. A few minutes afterwards she entered an Atlas omnibus, and sat between the prisoners. Clarke was on the side where her pocket was, and fidgetted about very much. In the London Road the prisoners got out and walked away together. Witness instantly missed the sovereign. Being satisfied that the prisoners had robbed her, she called out to the conductor, and as soon as she got out of the omnibus she went after them, and saw them enter a public house and drink together. She remained outside until a constable came up, when she informed him of what had occurred.

Inspector Manson said while he was taking down the charge he heard something rattle in Clarke's mouth, and looking at her perceived something like gold shining between her teeth, which she denied, and attempted to swallow something. By witness's direction she was seized, and after some struggling the sovereign was taken from her mouth, but not without two of the constables being bitten severely and one of the prisoner's teeth knocked out. The prisoner Jones was taken in labor in the course of Sunday morning, and was sent to George's Workhouse, where she was delivered of a child.

Mr. Burcham observed that as it would be some time before the other prisoner would be able to leave the workhouse, he should remand the prisoner for a week.

Mr. Edwin asked his worship to accept bail for her, as he should be able to prove that she was innocent of the charge.

Mr. Burcham refused to accept bail.

Surry Sessions.

THE WHOLESALE DEPOT FOR STOLEN GOODS IN THE WATERLOO ROAD.

Henry Tuck, 43, and George Hentsman, 23, were indicted for stealing a leather portmanteau, containing a dressing-case and valuable property, belonging to Mr. William Seagrave.

It appeared from the evidence that the prosecutor, a surgeon residing at Newington, fetched his daughter from the Great Western Railway Terminus in a cab, on the night of the 24th of September last, and the portmanteau was placed on the roof. On the way the driver several times suspected he was followed by a fast-going horse and trap, and on pulling up at the end of Park-lane the portmanteau was missed. Information was given to the police, and Morton, 68 L, proceeded to the house of the prisoners, and found them in an upper room. He asked them if the property in that room belonged to them. Tucker said it was his. Morton then searched the room, and under a large quantity of linen he found the dressing case, broken open, and nearly all the contents, which Mr. Seagrave identified. The officer also found a large quantity of hair-cloth, and other property, which the prisoners could give no account of.

A verdict of Guilty was returned.

A former conviction was proved against Tuck.

Morton, the officer, informed the Court that the property found in the house, and now in possession of the police, was worth upwards of £260, none of which, up to the present time, had been owned.

The Chairman said that as Tuck was such an old offender he should sentence him to ten years' penal servitude. Hensman he should sentence to eighteen months' hard labor.

Conviction of a Trainer of Juvenile Thieves.

Sarah Brown, 36, and Fanny Clarke, 12, were indicted for stealing a pair of boots, the property of of George Coleman.

The prosecutor said he was a boot and shoe-maker in the London-road. He had a box-full of boots standing near his shop door for sale. He saw the prisoners come and pull them about. He saw the elder prisoner pull out a pair of boots, and, laying them at the side, pointed them out to the younger prisoner, who took them up and put them under her shawl, and they walked off.

Police-constable 19 L said the child admitted stealing the boots, and said the prisoner told her to take them.

Pomeroy, 28 M, said he had known the elder prisoner some years as a trainer of young thieves, and he was present when she was sentenced to two months for the unlawful possession of property, and on searching her house he found large quantities of stolen property. She had two young daughters whom she trained to thieving, and they were both convicted and sent to reformatory schools for three years.

The jury found Brown guilty.

Mr. Johnson sentenced her to seven years' penal servitude, and ordered the child to be detained in prison seven days, and then sent to a reformatory for three years.

Jealousy and Attempted Wife Murder.

An attempt to murder was committed last week a few miles south of Jeanne Chapelle, a young woman of the Township of Provencher, was called out by a man named Bonin, who was in the habit of visiting her for the purpose of love. She went down to the door, and on opening it found Bonin there with a gun in his hand. Without saying a word he fired at her, the contents of the gun striking her on the left side of the face, and inflicting a severe wound. Fortunately for her, the shot did not penetrate the brain, but lodged in the cheek bone. Bonin, however, fled to the woods without seeing whether or not he had killed her. Search was made for him, but he could not be found. It is supposed that he has fled to the United States.

Murder of a Servant Girl.

A small farmer at Pontoise (Seine-et-Oise), has just been tried at St. Pontoise for the murder of his servant. The man being in embarrassed circumstances, borrowed last April from the woman a sum of £305, the fruit of her savings. He declined to have a written acknowledgement of the debt drawn up by a notary, under the pretext that he owed the latter some money and wished to keep the present transaction a secret, but in order to quiet the servant promised to marry her. A few days later, however, her body bearing marks of death by strangulation, was found on a road at some distance from the farm, and had, to all appearance, been placed there the day the night, as a medical examination showed that death had occurred three or four days before, and some children who had been playing at the spot on the previous afternoon had seen nothing of the corpse. On being questioned, the man at first said that the girl had quitted his service, and on traces of blood being discovered in a loft, the accused said that she had committed suicide after a quarrel with her father. These statements were, however, proved to be false, and a verdict of guilty having been returned, he was sentenced to 20 years' hard labor.

Daring Street Outrage.

Edward Sullivan and Catherine Galvin were charged with violently assaulting Mr. William Henry Tyler, The prosecutor, who lives at Stepney, was on his way home shortly before 12 o'clock on Monday night, and when near his own house was attacked by the prisoners, without any provocation. The male prisoner knocked him down, and the woman kicked him and jumped upon him. He got up, and was knocked down again by the man and kicked and jumped upon by the woman. He got up a second time, and was again knocked down and kicked and trampled upon by the woman. He called out "Murder" and "Police," and a constable came to his rescue. He was very much bruised and suffered much pain. He was attacked in nearly a similar manner, at the same spot three-and-a-half years ago, and was then robbed of his gold Albert chain.

A policeman, who took the prisoners into custody, said he believed their intention was to rob the prosecutor, who was quite sober and collected.

Mr. Paget would like a little more inquiry to be made about the prisoners before he disposed of the cases, and remanded them.

A Strange Story in Paris.

M. de R——, having acquired a fortune in business, retired to a handsome property he possessed near Fontainebleau. Soon after, his daughter Julie, 21 years of age, was asked in marriage by a gentleman of the neighborhood, and in spite of her opposition and avowed repugnance, the wedding took place. In the evening the bride was missed, and the result of the researches made was only to find that the groom's man, who had been a friend of the young lady's from infancy, had likewise disappeared. The father, like every one else, believed in an elopement, and all the usual means were employed to trace the fugitives, but unsuccessfully. This occurred five years ago, and M. de R——, having lately purchased some adjoining property on which was a quarry long out of use, set some men to work, who found at the bottom of an old excavation two skeletons, which from the remains of the clothes and the jewels were recognized as the missing bride and her lover.

Criminal Items.

A terrible tragedy occurred in Omaha, Kansas, quite recently. The fire and burglar-proof safe in the wholesale grocery store of H. R. King & Co., was robbed of $15,000; a clerk named Higgins, recently from Pennsylvania, was murdered in his bed, and the building set on fire to cover the deed. The porter named Bates, who slept with Higgins in the store, was shot through the arm. This man, however, is supposed to be the perpetrator of the robbery and murder, and is under arrest. The clerk, Higgins, was killed with an axe, a fearful gash being cut in his head.

Andrew Brockmann, one of the victims of the Indian massacre at Newium Mountain, in 1863, has arrived at St. Louis. He experienced the tortures of seeing his wife and four children murdered, and was then horribly mutilated; his tongue cut out, hamstrings severed, his fingers cut, his hands maimed, his scalp torn reeking from his head, which had previously been perforated with three bullets; but despite these wounds, the unfortunate man survived, and was carried to Salt Lake City, where he remained in hospital for three years.

A Liverpool (Eng.) journal says that a "Thieves College" exists in that city. That there are men and women teachers of the art of Cartouche and the Dodger, the pocket handkerchief, the purse, and the watch chain departments being presided over by different professors. Burglary and the use of the spoon is taught by experts, and the accomplishment of begging letters is a branch in itself.

Thomas Francis Meagher, the Secretary of Montana, lately chose to consider himself insulted by an article in the Montana *Post*, animadverting upon his official conduct, and sent a challenge to the editor, Captain Henry N. Blake, formerly of the 11th Massachusetts regiment. Captain Blake very properly declined affording his aid to a breach of the law.

A few weeks since Judge Magruder holding the Circuit Court of Ann Arundel Co. Md., decided the evidence of a colored witness to be inadmissible, and declared the "civil rights" bill to be unconstitutional. He was arrested on the charge of violating the provisions of the act, gave bonds to answer, declining an examination.

Late Montana advices relate fearful stories of crime and desperate lawlessness among the rough adventurers that throng the gold regions. In Virginia, ten days ago, a desperate encounter occurred in a saloon, which resulted in the instant killing, by knives and pistol shots, of seven persons, and the wounding of eleven others severely.

Anne Barry, an Irish woman living at Great Barrington Mass., has been charged by the verdict of a coroner's jury with the murder of her niece, Honora Broderick. The little girl died last week, and there is no doubt but her death was caused by continued abuse and maltreatment by her aunt.

An affray occurred near West Plains, Howell county, Mo., last week, between Frud. H. Baker and John Finley, in regard to a homestead entry, which resulted in the killing of Finley and his wife, and the serious wounding of Mrs Cousins, sister of Mrs. Finley by Baker.

Chas. P. Duane, heretofore well known in New York, has recently been tried for the murder of Wm. G. Ross, in San Francisco, Cal. The jury acquitted him, and a *nol. pros.* was entered in the case of his brother John, who was charged with being an accessory.

——, a New York detective, is in Chicago on the track of David Bendell, of a firm of swindlers known as G. B. Collins & Co. Their headquarters were in Cincinnati. They swindled a firm of brokers in New York out of $60,000.

John Evans, the last of the gang of marauders who have been running off and plundering railroad trains in Kentucky, was captured in a cave in Simpson county a short time ago. He is a farmer, and was the leader of the troop.

Among the steamer San Francisco's passengers, detained by accident at Fortress Monroe, was found and arrested, Edward Norine, late confidential clerk to Adams, Hooley & Co., of New York. He is charged with embezzling.

Last week, a Miss Hess—who doubtless possessed more muscle than delicacy—cowhided a news-vender in Dubuque, (Iowa,) named Mr. John Beckerby. Cause—the disappointment of matrimonial views, and substantial expectations.

Lately a man named Elgin, the landlord of an inn at Missouri City, Mo., got into an altercation with five brothers named Tims. He shot and killed two of the latter; he was pursued and killed by a ball in the back.

Recently a young man named Perry at Eddyville, (Iowa,) attempted to kill a lady, upon whom his affections had centered. His attentions not being congenial, Perry like a fool went and poisoned himself with arsenic.

A female school-teacher, of Edinburg, Camden county, Pa., last week, whipped a little child of Mr. John Blair until it was hardly able to stand, because the little fellow wouldn't sit beside a darkey.

Last week Rufus W. Cowden, a young married man, attempted to murder his wife at Valley Falls, R. I., by cutting her throat with a razor. The cause was jealousy and intemperance.

A short time since a young man named Carpenter killed his father by striking him on the head with a shovel, at Maryland, Ohio. The cause was a alleged mistreatment by the father.

Alfred Mathias, the blind of one of the first families of Waterford, Conn., is under bonds for attempting his wife, who provoked him to it by speaking to his fiance.

George M. Plumley, a lawyer residing in New York, has been held in bail in the sum of $6000 to answer, on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses.

The trial before Recorder Hackett and Aldermen Gunther and Tiemann, of Wm. L. Wilson and Wm. Hall, charged with the murder of Wm. Carman, on the night of the 4th of July last, was concluded on Saturday. The jury rendered a verdict of manslaughter in the first degree against Wilson, and acquitted Hall. Wilson was sentenced to the State Prison for ten years.

Thomas Hall, a private in the Royal Artillery, stationed at Halifax, N. S., murdered Sergeant Thomas a few days ago and carried five months' courtship with Miss Mildred Coon, leaving a wife and four children behind.

There are now 127 convicts in the Iowa Penitentiary, and their general health is good.

According to the law in Mississippi, the penalty for horse stealing is death.

POLICE ITEMS.

BURGLARY.—Edward Judge was arrested on Thursday, on a charge of larceny. A number of skeleton keys were found in his possession, and he was locked up.

"MY UNCLE."—E. Kahan, a pawn-broker, of 106 Grand street, was committed for trial on a charge of extorting 50 cents in addition to the 25 per cent. interest allowed on a loan.

LARCENY.—Thomas Fletcher was committed on a charge of stealing $35, on Friday last, from Alfred Head.

ROBBERY.—A hack and a pair of black horses were stolen, on Thursday night, from Portland avenue, Brooklyn. No clue could be obtained to the thief.

INTEMPERANCE.—Cyrus L. Coffin died in a lodging house, No. 29 Centre street, on Thursday, from the effects of intemperance.

"CRACKSMEN."—Francis McGowan and Albert Cooper were held for trial on suspicion of having burglariously entered the house of Isaac Cole, 41 Bedford street, and stolen a quantity of silver-ware.

ASSAULT.—Charles Thompson, a railroad superintendent at Harlem Bridge, was severely beaten by John H. Bannon and Thomas Moore, who were arrested and locked up.

PICKPOCKETS.—William Carroll and William Malone, aged 18 and 14 years, were arrested at Fulton Market, on Thursday evening, while engaged in picking pockets.

SURPRISE.—On Thursday morning a gang of thieves attempted to rob a baker's wagon, but were surprised by a little dog which brought forth its master, and John O'Neill was arrested.

UNSEASONABLE.—Pierre Berrien robbed Victor Chameroy of $54, on Wednesday. Chameroy took Berrien into his employ as a matter of charity. Berrien was locked up.

UNFORTUNATE.—Benj. B. DeGroot, a young man in rather embarrassing circumstances, stole a watch, valued at $15, in order to pay some debts. He was caught, however, and locked up for trial.

THE KNIFE.—Alexander Cubrass, who was stabbed by Bandy Slavin, on the 23d ult., in Spring street, died on Sunday morning last from the effect of his wounds.

WIFE MURDERER.—The case of Wegner, who killed his wife in July last in Broome street, will be called up in the Supreme Court, when a day for his execution will be named.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.—On Saturday last, Charles Snipe was knocked down at the door of Harper & Bro., and the thieves attempted to rob him of $7,500 in United States notes. Mr. Snipe saved the money, however.

A YOUNG THIEF.—A lad, aged six years, robbed his father of $60 on Saturday. He was arrested, but subsequently discharged.

FAT.—Chas. Corn robbed his mother of $170 worth of silver ware, was arrested and locked up.

DISHONEST DOMESTIC.—A servant in the employ of R. W. McChesney, of Brooklyn, stole $60 worth of jewelry which was recovered by the police. The girl was locked up.

ROBBERY.—Some evil-disposed persons entered St. John's Lodge, at Newark, and robbed it of highly-prized masonic emblems. No arrests were made.

THE ORTEGO MURDERERS.—The trial of Frank Viele, indicted for the murder of Don Cuban, Signor Otero, in the City Park, Brooklyn, will take place on the 17th of December.

HORRIBLE.—Charles H. Shultz, an old man 75 years of age, was committed to prison in Hoboken, on a charge of having outraged a girl eight years of age.

COUNTERFEITER.—Robbins' De Voe, a man of some prominence in Goshen, Ocean county, was arrested in that place, on Monday night, and brought to Newark by a government detective, charged with passing a counterfeit $50 note. De Voe was held for trial.

BURGLARY.—Mary Carroll, in company with John Carroll, her son, entered the store of Charles O'Donnell, on Thursday morning, by prying off the shutters. Their movements attracted the attention of the proprietor, when John fled, and Mary fell into the hands of the police. She was taken before Justice Walsh, and is held for examination.

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